

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.: 09/100,799  
Applicant(s): Hiroaki KUBO  
For: APPARATUS CAPABLE OF IMAGE  
CAPTURING  
Confirmation No.: 8949  
Customer No.: 24367  
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**AMENDMENT**

The following is an Amendment, which is being submitted concurrently with the filing of a Request for Continued Examination.

This Amendment is filed in response to the Office Action dated December 4, 2003, which provides for a response period ending March 4, 2004.

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Application No.: 09/1799  
Amendment dated April 30, 2004  
Reply to Office Action of December 4, 2003

A Petition for Extension of Time, to extend the response period for the Office Action, dated December 4, 2003, for two additional months to May 4, 2004, is being filed concurrently.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 11 of this paper.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows: